# DR. BELL NOT TO FLY AT THE ST. LOUIS FAIR

Famous Inventor Denies Rumor and Talks About Kites.

"Modern conceptions of kite flying,

Hargrave's Success.

"He went at the subject from a scien-

motives, and as fast as he perfects a

tion as president of the National Geo-

graphic Society. My resignation has been

tendered, but will not go into effect until

a committee of three, of which I shall

be the chairman, has selected my suc-

cessor. The international congress of

geographers will meet in Washington

New South Wales.

Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, inventor | are apt to forget that some of the foreof the telephone, last night effectually most experts are Americans. disposed of the rumors that he is going to enter the airship competition at the which promise to do much in solving St. Louis Exposition. Thrilling tales the problem of flying machines were House outside of the building on two enough. about how Dr. Bell was going to fly not worked out by a Frenchman or an around the exposition just the same as American, but by an Australian, named a little bird, have been printed in several newspapers, much to his annoyance. Hargrave. He observed kite flying in the crai newspapers, much to his annoyance.

flying at present. Dr. Bell said last night he was work- of the Chinese, Japanese, and Malay ing on the development of kites, and had kites. achieved some remarkable results, which at some time in the future may induce him to make an independent flying ma- tiflo standpoint, and had wonderful suckites will be anchored to the ground, of such great service to meteorologists and will in no sense be flying machines. and students of flight. He is constant-In discussing the subject, Dr. Bell said: ly experimenting solely from scientific

### Theories as to Kites.

"Kites and flying machines have many points in common, and experimenters with kites can deduce many facts of value to those who are striving to perfect a steerable flying machine, which has no balloon attachment. I have developed several new theories in the construction and manipulation of kites which will be serviceable to those building flying machines. When my plans are perfected I may go so far as to take the final step, cut the rope and transform the kite into a means of independent serial navigation, but it will be a long time before that is done-and I certainly shall not be ready in time for the St. Louis competition.

"In building kites I have long studied to obtain a maximum of strength with a minimum of weight. I read a paper before the last meeting of the National Academy of Sciences in which I stated I thought I had accomplished this, and it will probably prove of value to those interested in aerial navigation. My plan is to build up the parts from a series of tetrahedrons and it has proved successful. I built a house and a boat as well as kites according to this new

### Experiments Costly.

"Some of the kites I have constructed have made their flights with the weight equivalent to that of a man and an engine. After we get a little more confidence a man may be sent up with an engine, and we will obtain important information by noticing the results of his attempts to direct the motion of the

"Foreign investigators into aerial machines have announced their intention of entering the St. Louis competition, but those machines, as far as I have heard, all have balloon attachments, such as that of Santos Dumont. I would certainly like to see some of the American investigators who have been trying to perfect machines which have not balloons come to the fore and take part in the race. Prof. Langley, of the Smithsonian, has been laboring on a balloonless flier, and Mr. Chanute, of Chicago, has made long flights with an apparatus worked out on the principles of a bird sailing in the air.

"Flying machine experiments are necessarily so costly that it is not likely any dark horses will appear or there will be entered at St. Louis any airships which have not already been mentioned in the papers.

### Literature on the Subject.

"It is not generally known that Washington is the finest place in the world to study aerial navigation. There is more literature on the subject here than in any other city. The collection in the Smithsonion Institution is remarkably complete, and I am sure that Prof. Langley, while he does not talk for publication, would not object to investigators using the library to further their studies. I have an individual collection of the titles of at least four thousand books, monographs and articles on flying.

"The history of attempts to fly has never been properly written, and when it is the American investigators will ocoupy a prominent place in its pages. We hear so much about the French airships, or airships built in France, we

## NEW LAW SCHOOL DEAN HAS BEEN SELECTED

Prof. Tucker, of Washington and Lee, Comes to Columbian.

The Hon. Henry St. George Tucker, dean of the law school of Washington and Lee University, has stated his willingness to accept the deanship of the law school of Columbian University. It is understood that the board of trustees of the university will elect him to

this office at their meeting, June 3. Mr. Tucker is a man of ability, and It is considered fortunate that Columbian University has been able to obtain his services. He is a native of Winchester, Va., has served eight years in Congress, and for the past few years has held the chair of constitutional law at Washington and Lee University, besides being dean of the law school of that institu-

### **BOARD TO FIX VALUE** OF A DRAFT HORSE

A board of survey consisting of Major M. Carson, jr., quartermaster; Capt. Joseph S. Herron, Second Cavalry,' and Lieut. Walter F. Martin, is meeting at the War Department to determine the value of one dead horse, or rather the value of the horse when it was alive.
The animal died on July 13, 1902, while
actively engaged in the service of the
Quartermaster's Department. It was
the property of the Merchants' Transfer and Storage Company, of Washington, which has made claim for the payment by the department of the value of the

Tonight is the time-River View the place-

# COMMISSIONERS' RIGHT TO ACT IS QUESTIONED

Boiler House on Portner Place.

A hearing was granted by the District
Commissioners yesterday to persons interested in the locating of the proposed
The Navy Department has decided that the experiments with California oil, in progress at Seve 2h Street wharf for the lots fronting on Portner Place. The question at issue was the right of

gire, dynamos, etc., would constitute within ninety feet of the proposed building was filed with the application for chine, but for some time to come his cess with the box kites which have been license. Opposition, however, was made on the ground that Mr. Portner himself was the principal owner of the consenting property, and that others were not properly represented.

new idea he gives it to the world in the Commissioner West, acting president publications of the Royal Society of of the board, announced that the ques-"I have become so interested in my It is understood that one or two legal points raised will be sent to the Corresearches into aerial navigation that I have felt compelled to give up my posi- poration Counsel for an opinion.

### POWHATAN W. ROBERTSON RELEASED ON BOND

Powhatan W. Robertson, who is accused of embezzling money from a local next year, and I felt I did not have time to attend properly to the details of preparation for the congress. Prof. W J McGea is the vice president of the society."

apartment house company, has been released on \$8,000 bond to await the action of the grand jury. The Union Surety and Guaranty Company, Philadelphia, is his surety. apartment house company, has been re-

and Beauty.

Hearing on Matter of Locating Tests on the Torpedo Boat Rogers a Success.

terested in the locating of the proposed progress at Seve th Street wharf for the House outside of the building on the past two years, have progressed far The crew of the torpedo-boat Rogers,

under Lieut. John Helligen, jr., U. S. N., the Commissioners to issue the permit have made the tests. Oil has been burnunder the regulations, and the fact ed in the navy spasmodically for several as he has not the slightest intention of children, but the favorite occupation of whether the location of boilers, an enexperiments next month point to a posa nuisance to the protesting neighbors. sible change from coal. The successful In this case the required consent of running of an ocean liner with oil last two-thirds of the property holders year has furnished a valuable precedent. An important member of the Rogers' crew while the tests were going on is William Rogers, a small but aggressive goat. The account book of the vessell bears a smudge of ink made by a small bears a smudge of ink made by a small hoof dipped into an ink-bottle and rub-bed on the page. This is William's "mark," for education was denied him in his youth. He drawa rations regu-larly and lives in a small summer-house ashore. The crew set great store by him, and, after the sailor's superstition, watch his safety with a tealons eva-

### watch his safety with a jealous eye. JACKSON-WALKER SLANDER SUIT ON TRIAL

Hearing in the suit of Alfred Jackson against Alexander Walker to recover \$5,000 as damages for slander, was begun yesterday before Justice Barnard in Circuit Court No. 1. Some time ago, it is alleged, the defendant caused the arrest of Jackson, on a charge of larceny. Jackson was tried in the Police Court Jackson was tried and was acquitted.

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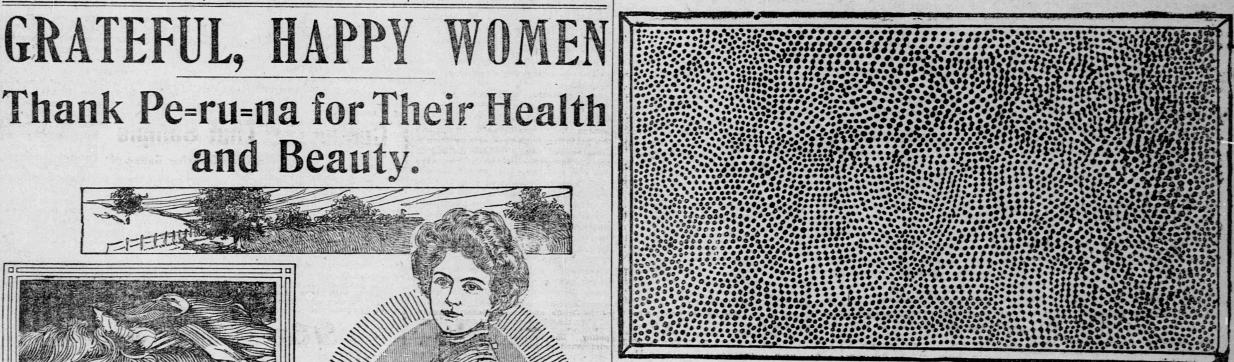
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